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THE MAN WHO FIGHTS FEAR!

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SAY!



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IT FILLS THE AIR, SWELLS
HEARTS, SOFTENS EYES,
FLUSHES CHEEKS.

LOVE, AS TANGIBLE AND
PERVASIVE AS THE GENTLE
SNOWFALL.

"...ALL IS CALM...
ALL IS BRIGHT..."

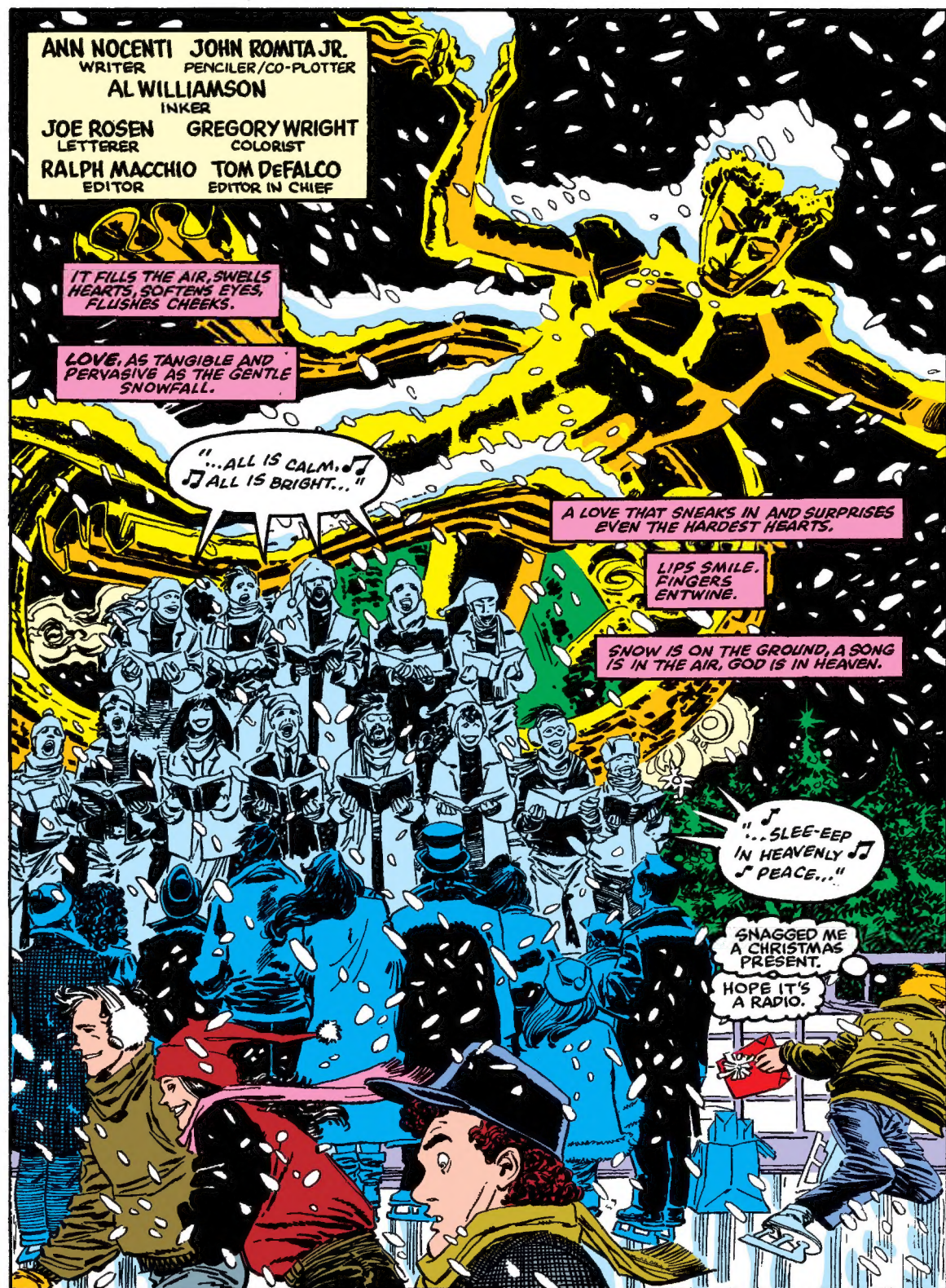
A LOVE THAT SNEAKS IN AND SURPRISES
EVEN THE HARDEST HEARTS.

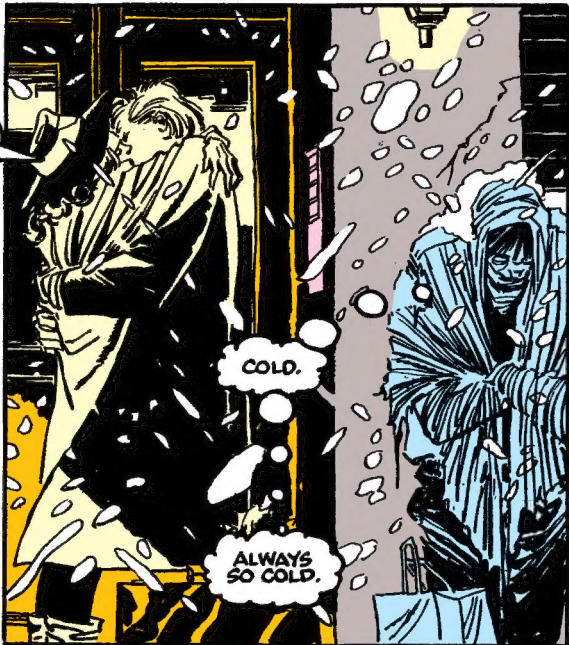
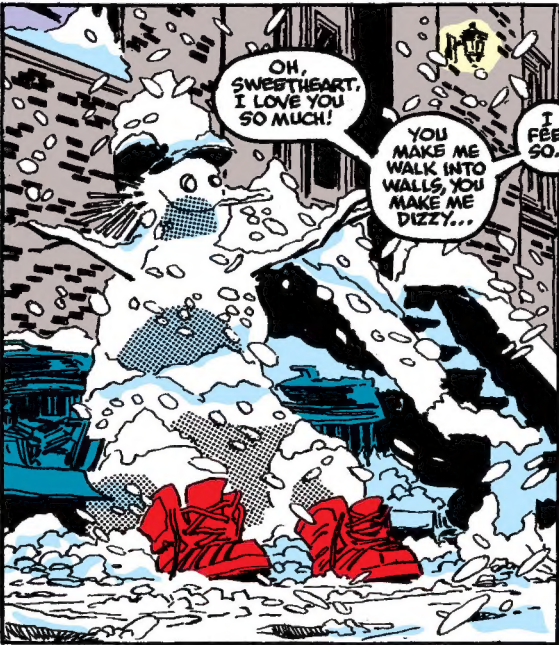
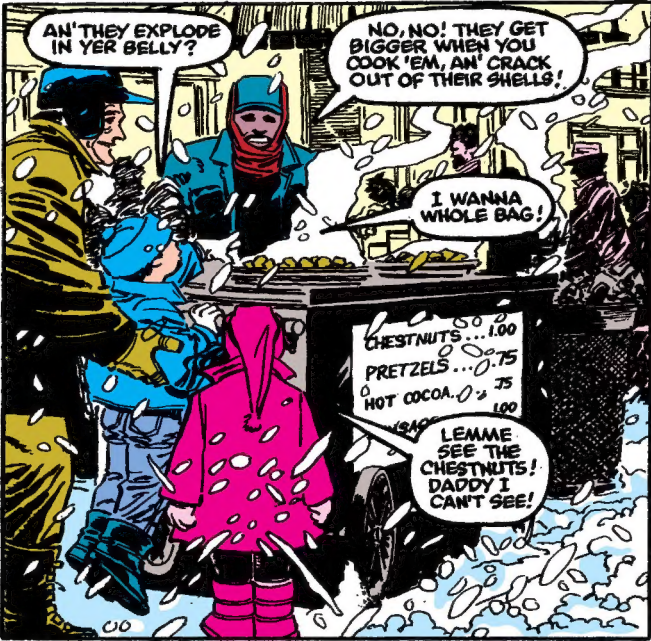
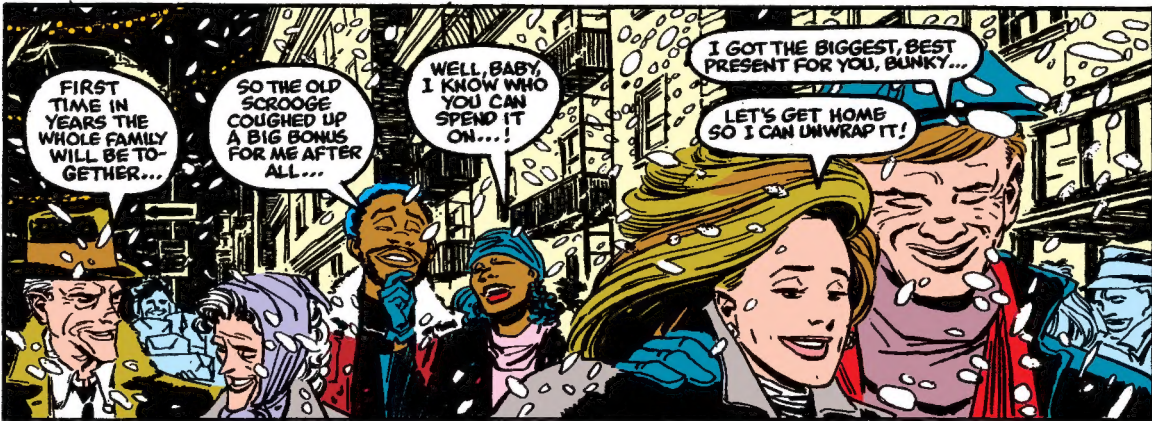
LIPS SMILE.
FINGERS
ENTWINE.

SNOW IS ON THE GROUND, A SONG
IS IN THE AIR, GOD IS IN HEAVEN.

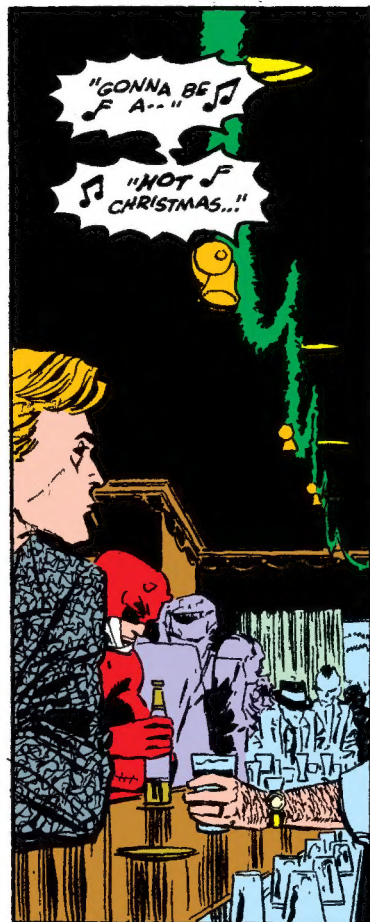
"...SLEE-EEP
IN HEAVENLY
PEACE..."

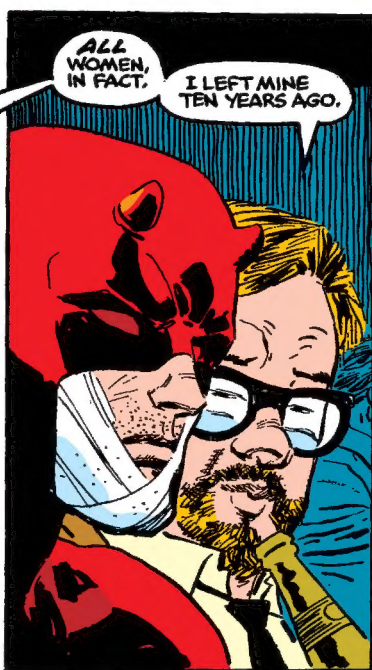
SNAGGED ME
A CHRISTMAS
PRESENT.
HOPE IT'S
A RADIO.











ANYWAY, AS WE FIGHT, I WATCH THIS *GAME SHOW*.

AND SUDDENLY IT SEEMS TO ME THAT EACH TIME I MAKE A GOOD *CRACK*, EACH TIME I GET A GOOD *ZINGER* IN ON OLD MAGGS, THIS BELL RINGS, LIKE THE *GAME SHOW* WAS KEEPIN' *SCORE* OF OUR FIGHT!

THEN I GET THIS REAL GOOD INSULT IN, AND MY WIFE IS REALLY *SHUT UP* FOR A MINUTE! AN' THEN I HEAR ALL THESE *BELLS* GOING OFF--THE *GUY* ON THE SHOW HAS WON A NEW CAR!

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YEAH, I WISH I'D TAKEN MY FISHIN' POLE. NOTHIN' LIKE FLY-FISHIN'.

I'LL BE BACK. I GOTTA TAKE A WALK.

COME ON, HECTOR!

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COME ON, HECTOR!

ALL RIGHT. PUT 'ER HERE.

YOU KNOW, WE BETTER GO SOON, MOM'LL BE MAD IF WE'RE LATE FOR DINNER.

ONE MORE BEER! COME ON FIGHT, YOU WUMP!

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DRINK A BEER
WITH YOUR BROTHER!
BE *BAD* FOR ONCE,
HECTOR!

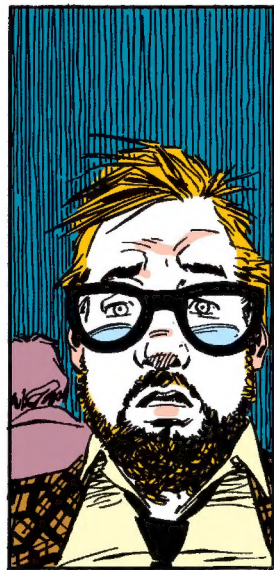
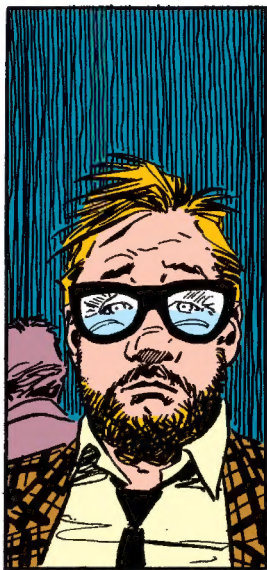
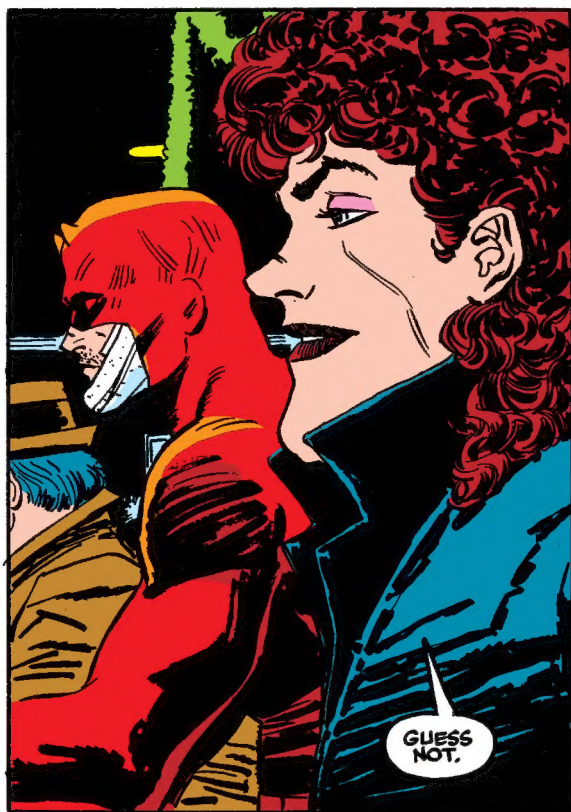
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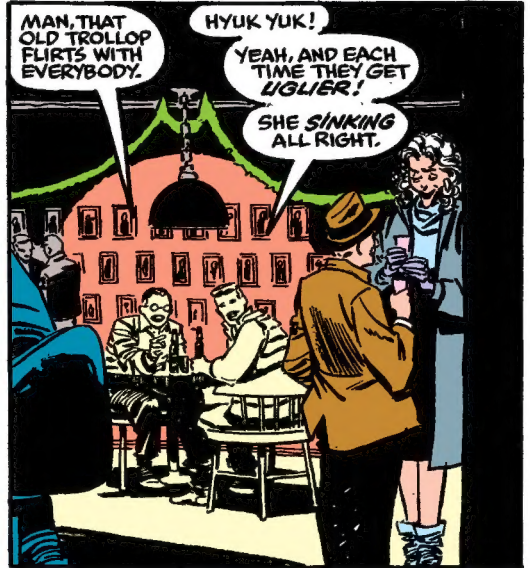
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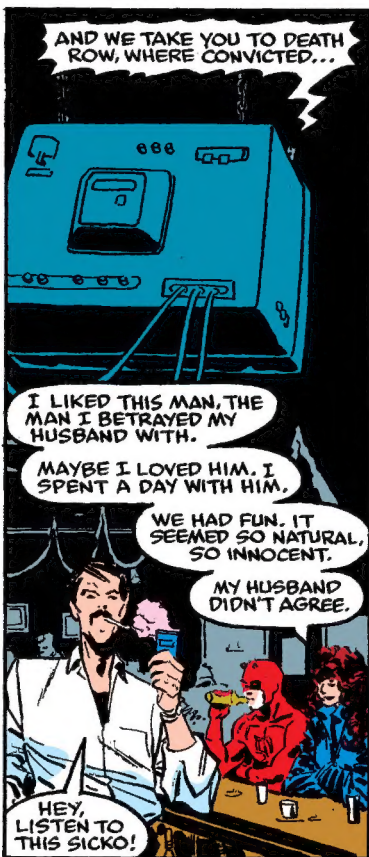
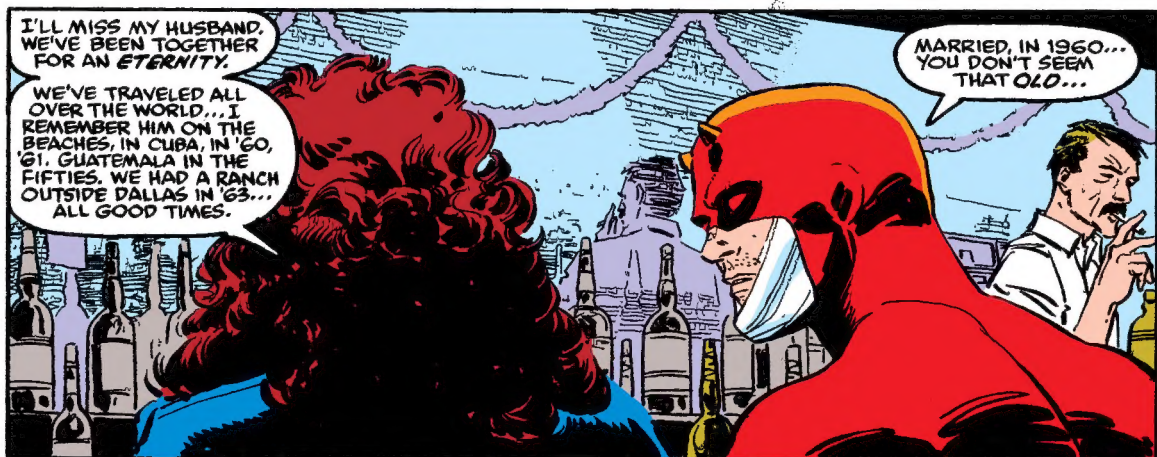
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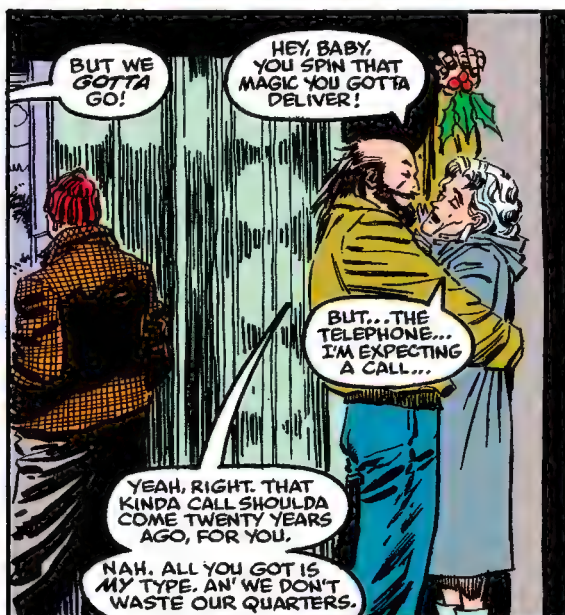
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NOT A FACE
LIKE--



--THAT.



DO YOU
THINK IT
MATTERS?

IF YOU BETRAY
OR YOU DON'T,
IF YOU CROSS
A LINE OR YOU
DON'T?

CAN ONE
PERSON'S
ACTS REALLY
MAKE A
DIFFERENCE?



YOU'RE A HERO.
THINK YOU MAKE
A DIFFERENCE?

THINK, WITH YOUR
FINGER ON THE
SCALES, YOU COULD
EVER SHIFT THE
WEIGHT OF EVIL OVER
TO THE OTHER SIDE,
EVEN A FRACTION?



I... I DON'T KNOW ANY-
MORE. I DON'T KNOW IF
I MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

THAT'S WHY I'M
HERE, IN THIS BAR.

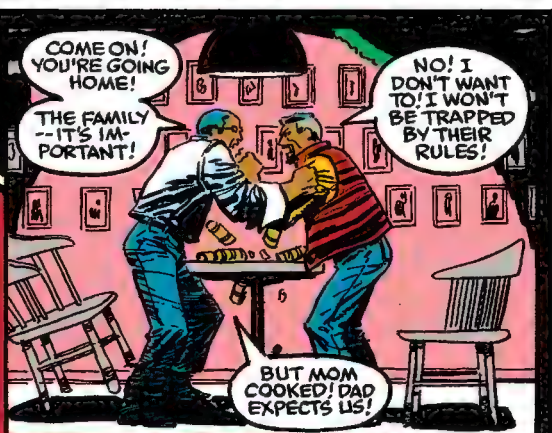
ME-- I
THINK IT'S
TOO LATE
FOR THE
WORLD.

THE
APPLE'S
ROTTEN.

THERE'S NO
GOING BACK.



SOMEONE TOOK A BITE. AND IT'S BEEN ROTTEN EVER SINCE.



COME ON! YOU'RE GOING HOME!
THE FAMILY -- IT'S IMPORTANT!

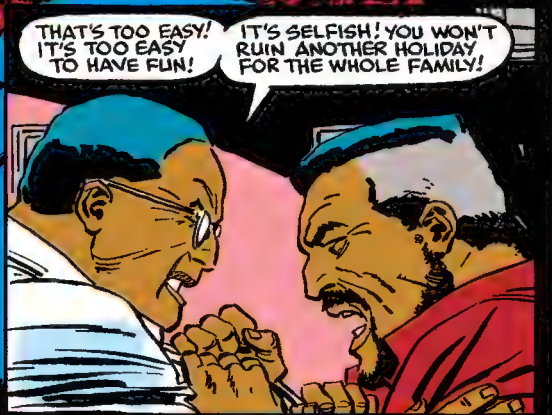
NO! I DON'T WANT TO! I WON'T BE TRAPPED BY THEIR RULES!

BUT MOM COOKED! DAD EXPECTS US!



YOU'RE ALWAYS RUINING EVERYTHING!
YOU RUIN THE WHOLE FAMILY!

LOOK, I DON'T CARE! I'M THE BLACK SHEEP, THE BAD APPLE --
--I WANNA HAVE MY FUN!



THAT'S TOO EASY! IT'S TOO EASY TO HAVE FUN!

IT'S SELFISH! YOU WON'T RUIN ANOTHER HOLIDAY FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!





FORGET THE
WORLD, DAREDEVIL.

LET SOMEONE ELSE
BE THE HERO.

TAKE A BITE.
BE SELFISH--

--KISS
ME.



HECTOR,
NO! WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING?

GOD, HECTOR!
I'M YOUR BROTHER!

UNGH!
STOP!



YES, YOU'RE MY
BROTHER--

--AND I
HATE
YOU!

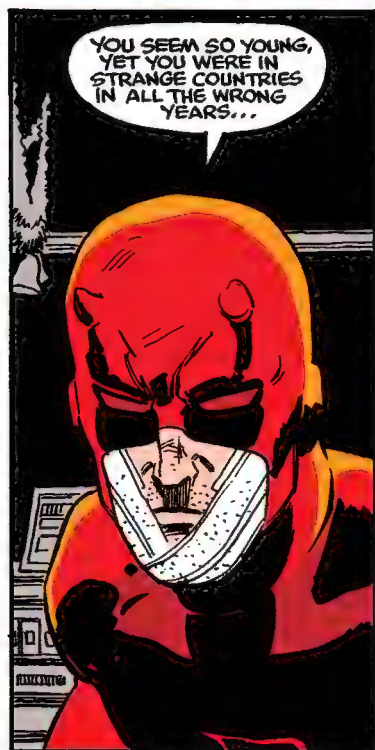
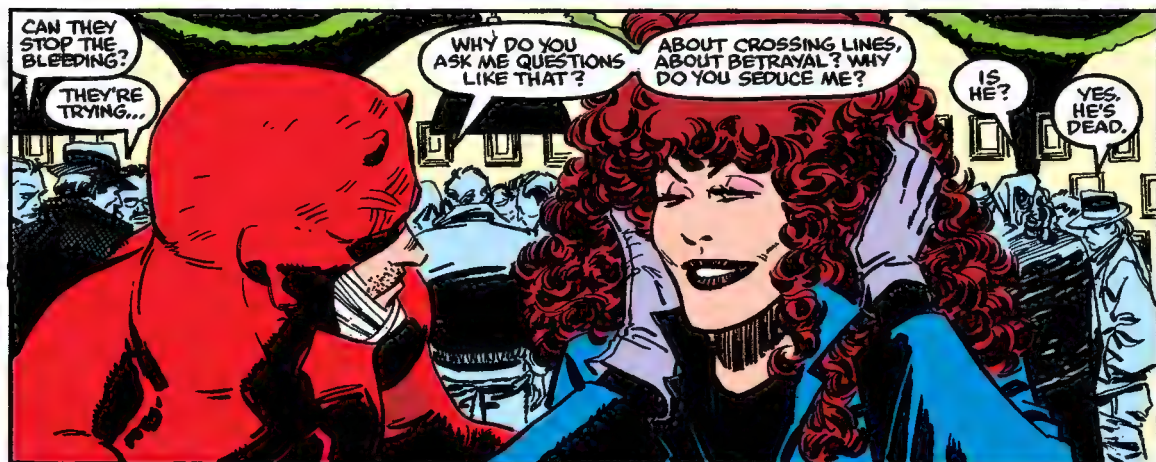
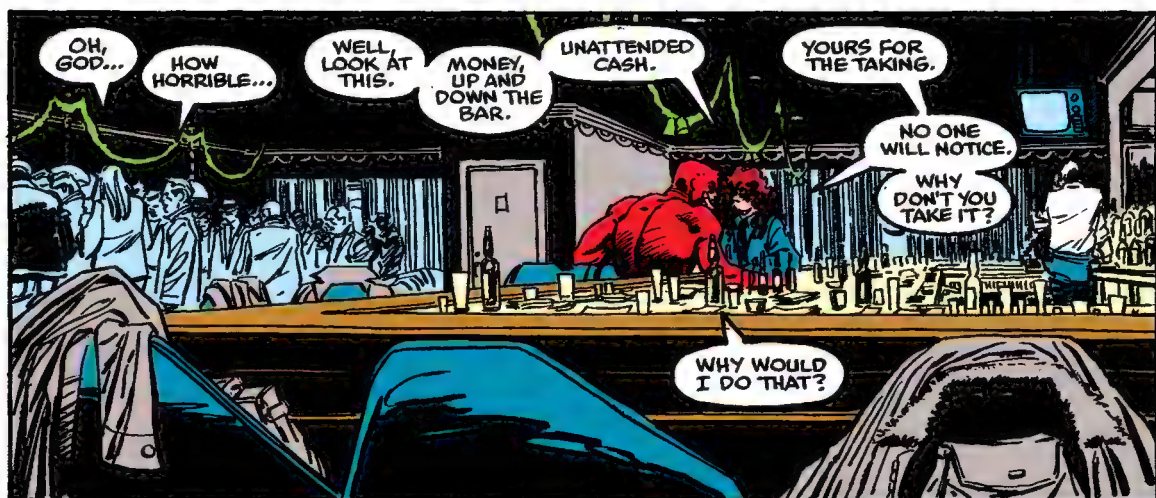
HEY! HE'S
STABBING
HIM!

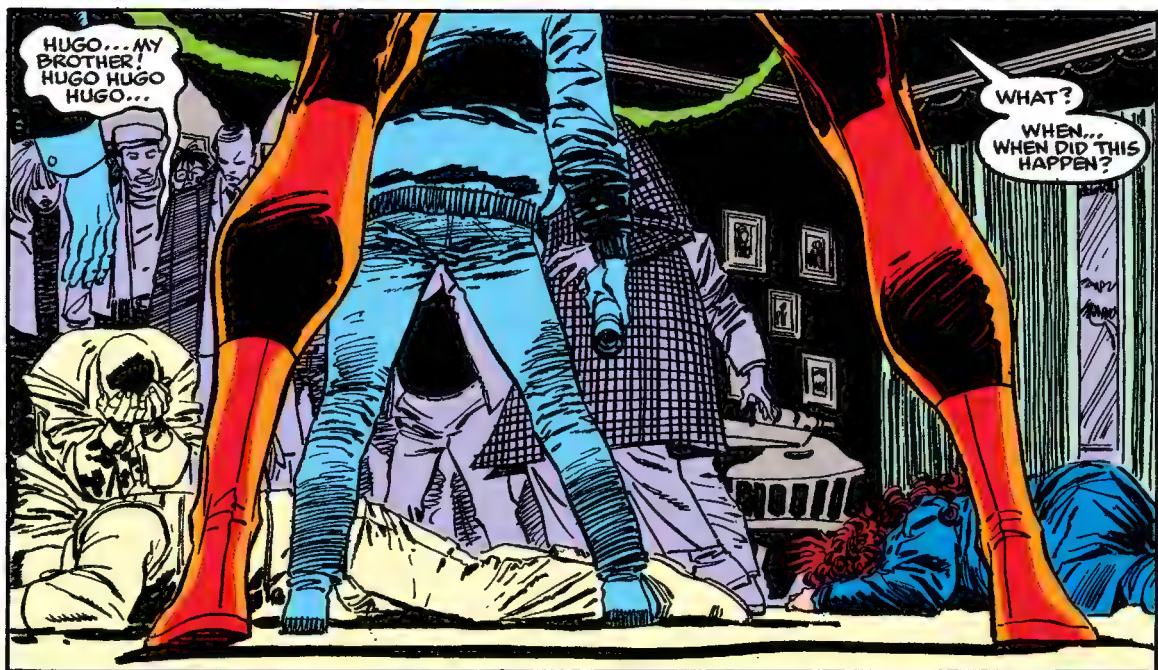
SOMEBODY
STOP HIM!

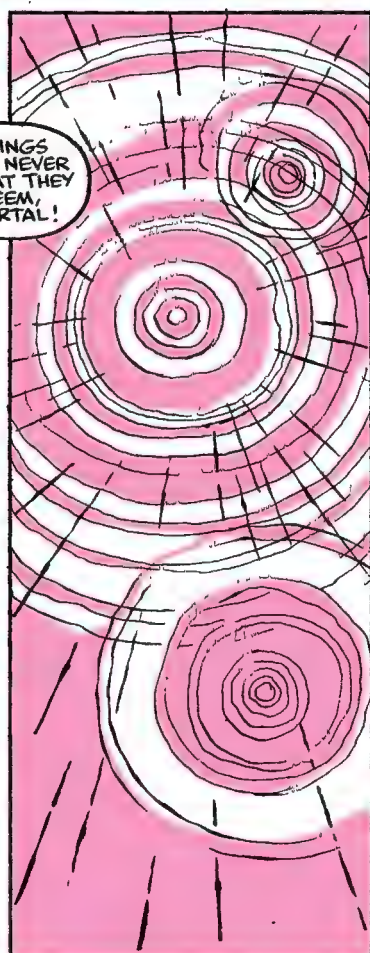
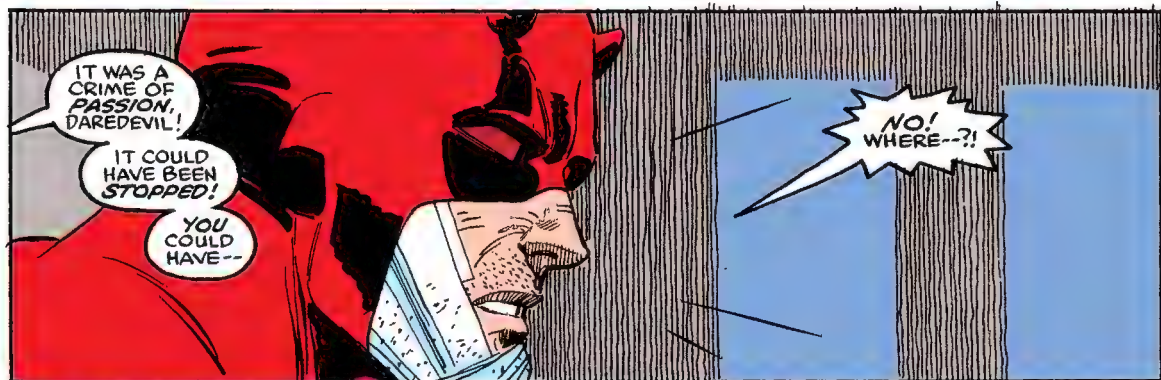


HELP!
SOMEONE
HELP!

AK...
AGK...
NO... GOD
HELP ME...
HECTOR...





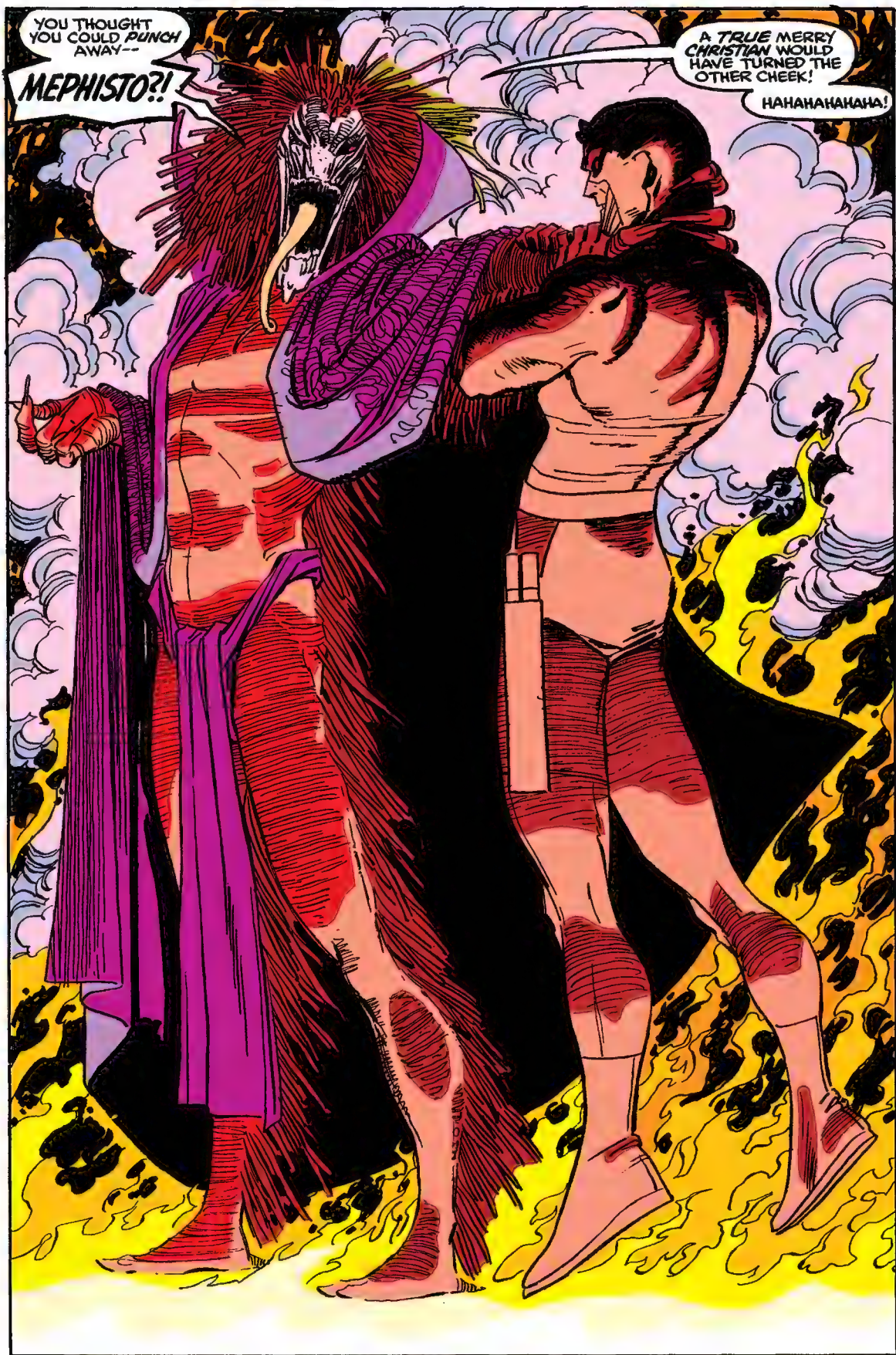


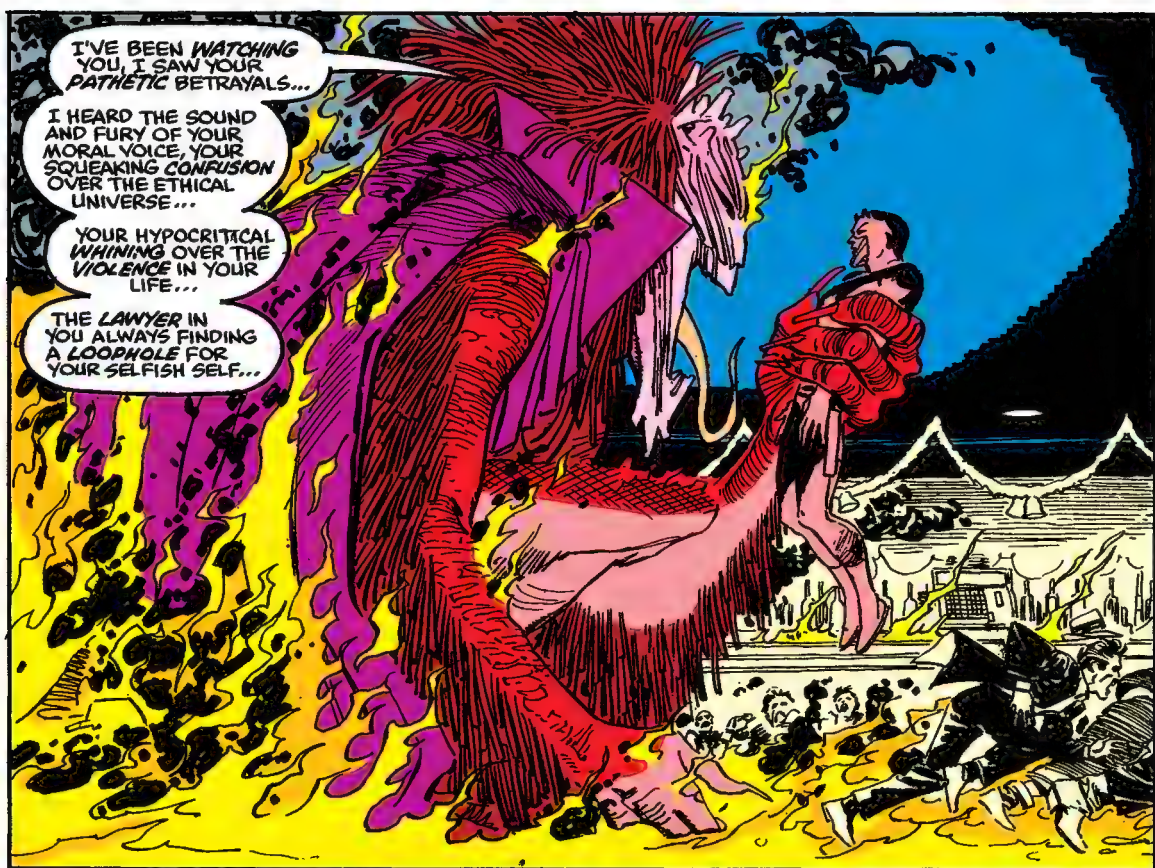
YOU THOUGHT
YOU COULD PUNCH
AWAY--

MEPHISTO?!

A TRUE MERRY
CHRISTIAN WOULD
HAVE TURNED THE
OTHER CHEEK!

HAHAHAHAHA!



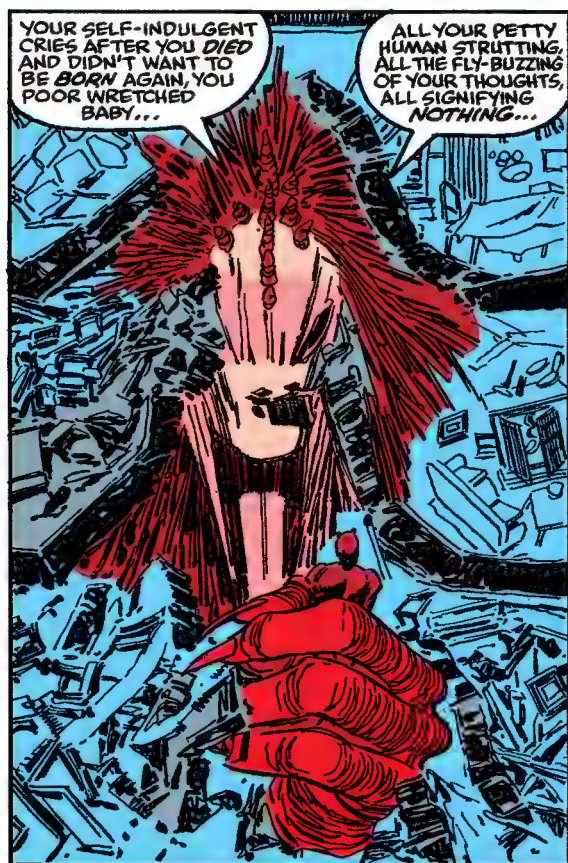


I'VE BEEN WATCHING
YOU, I SAW YOUR
PATHETIC BETRAYALS...

I HEARD THE SOUND
AND FURY OF YOUR
MORAL VOICE, YOUR
SQUEAKING CONFUSION
OVER THE ETHICAL
UNIVERSE...

YOUR HYPOCRITICAL
WHINING OVER THE
VIOLENCE IN YOUR
LIFE...

THE LAWYER IN
YOU ALWAYS FINDING
A LOOPHOLE FOR
YOUR SELFISH SELF...



YOUR SELF-INDULGENT
CRIES AFTER YOU DIED
AND DIDN'T WANT TO
BE BORN AGAIN, YOU
POOR WRETCHED
BABY...

ALL YOUR PETTY
HUMAN STRUTTING,
ALL THE FLY-BUZZING
OF YOUR THOUGHTS,
ALL SIGNIFYING
NOTHING...



HAHAHAHAHAH!

HOW IT ALL
MADE ME LAUGH!

WHAT A GRAND
ENTERTAINMENT
YOU HAVE BEEN
TO ME!



DO YOU SEE,
DAREDEVIL,
HOW *IMMENSE*
EVIL IS ?

YOU *USED* TO
BELIEVE, THAT *ONE*
MAN, NO MATTER HOW
SMALL, COULD FIGHT
EVIL.

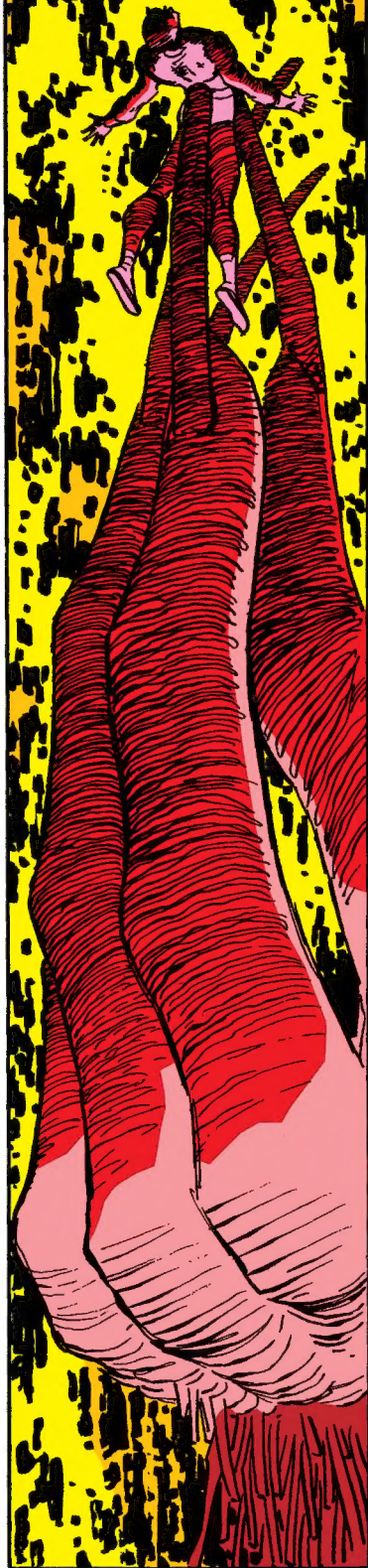
COULD *DEFY* IT, STAND
UP TO IT, AND THAT YOU
GROW TO AN *ENORMOUS*
SIZE BY THAT VERY *SMALL*
DEFIANCE.

BUT YOU'RE
FORGETTING THAT,
DAREDEVIL.

YOU'RE
ALMOST *MINE*,
DIABLO.

ONE DAY, I'LL TIP THE
SCALES, AND YOU'LL
WELCOME ME INTO YOUR
ARMS, YOU'LL *EMBRACE*
ME, REDMAN, WILLINGLY,
LIKE YOU JUST DID
IN THE BAR.

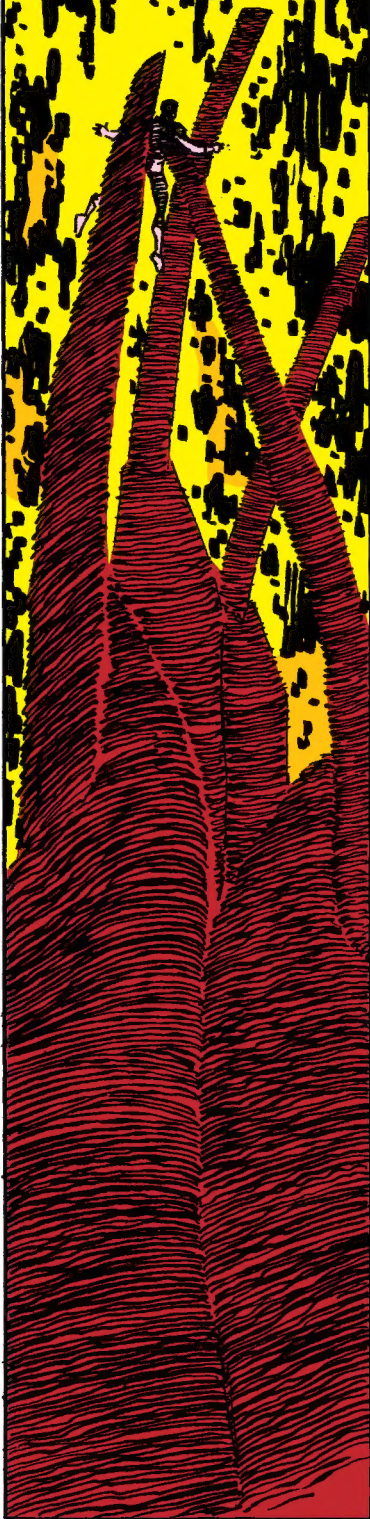
"AND ON THAT DAY, GOD
HELP THE HECTORS AND
HUGOS OF THE WORLD.



"THEY'LL ALL BE STABBING
EACH OTHER, OVER AND
OVER AND OVER...

"BITING INTO APPLES...

"BROTHER KILLING
BROTHER...



"OVER AND OVER AND OVER...

"AND WHAT WILL BE
THERE TO STOP THEM?

"NOTHING.



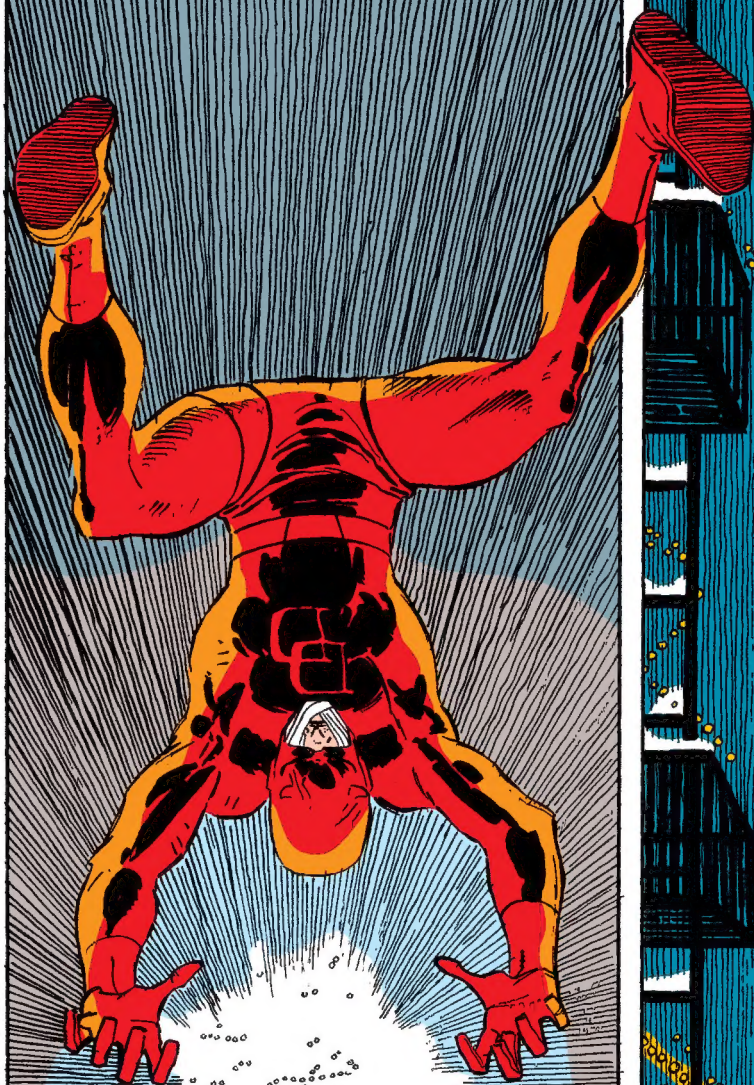
"A SPECK OF
RED, A SHRUNKEN
FLASH OF COLOR.
A SMALL BIT OF
GRIT, OF DRIFT-
ING DUST.

"A
NOTHING"

"BUT FOR NOW I WILL
BE EASY ON YOU.

"I AM NOT WITHOUT COMPASSION.

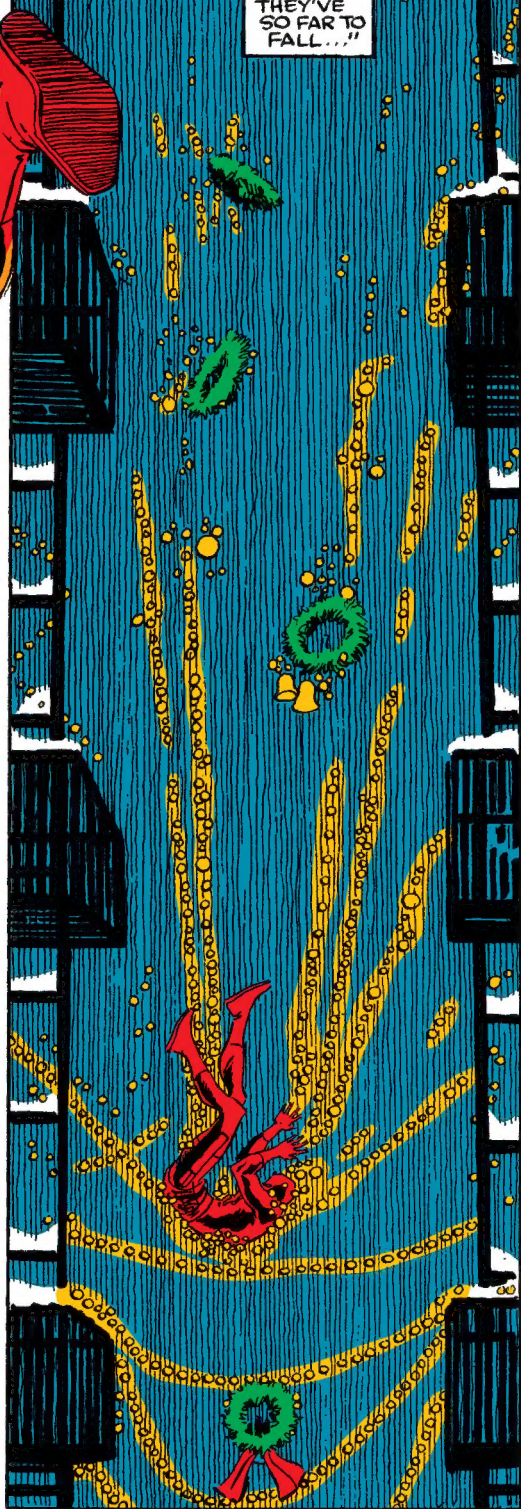
"AND AFTER ALL, YOU WEAR *MY*
IMAGE, YOU DO *MY* WORK...

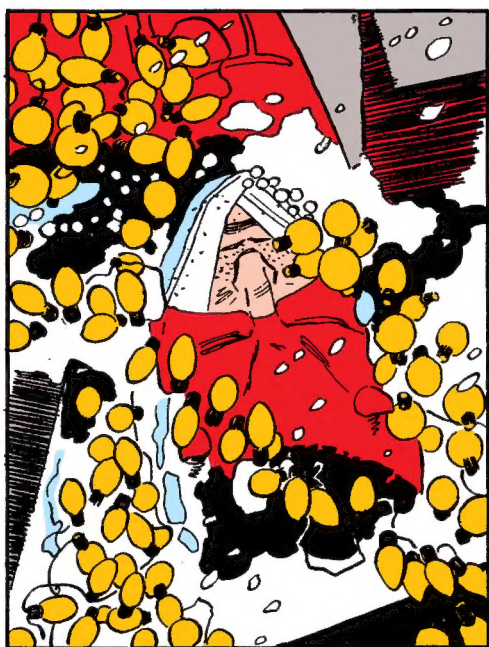


"HAHAHAHAHAHA!"

"THE THING I
LOVE ABOUT
HEROES...

"IS THAT
THEY'VE
SO FAR TO
FALL..."





OH, MY.
HE WAS IN THE BAR.

YEAH.
I THINK HE'S HAD A
ROUGH DAY.
SHOULD WE...?



YES.
UP YOU GO!

DAREDEVIL?
WE'RE GOING OVER
TO THE SOUP
KITCHEN.

FOR CHRISTMAS
DINNER.
WANNA COME?

I...



SURE.

THAT'S THE SPIRIT!
WE'LL HAVE US
A FINE MEAL!

MERRY CHRISTMAS